

qualified voters by the officers of Registration, who have the qualifications prescribed in the first section of this Article, and who are not disqualified under the provisions of the second and third sections thereof.

Miles vs. Bradford, 22 Md., 176. Smith vs. Stephan, 66 Md., 381.

SEC. 6. Every person elected or appointed to any office of profit or trust, under this Constitution, or under the laws, made pursuant thereto, shall, before he enters upon the duties of such office, take and subscribe the following oath or affirmation: I, ———, do swear, (or affirm, as the case may be) that I will support the Constitution of the United States; and that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to the State of Maryland, and support the Constitution and Laws thereof; and that I will, to the best of my skill and judgment, diligently and faithfully, without partiality or prejudice execute the office of ———, according to the Constitution and Laws of this State, (and, if a Governor, Senator, Member of the House of Delegates, or Judge), that I will not, directly or indirectly, receive the profits or any part of the profits of any other office during the term of my acting as ———.

Thomas vs. Owens, 4 Md., 189. Archer vs. State, 74 Md., 410 and 443, Keyser vs. Upshur, 92 Md., 728. Davidson vs. Brice, 91 Md., 685. Little vs. Schul, 118 Md. Clark vs. Harford County Agri. and B. Asso., 118 Md.

SEC. 7. Every person hereafter elected or appointed to office in this State, who shall refuse or neglect to take the oath or affirmation of office provided for in the sixth section of this Article, shall be considered as having refused to accept the said office; and a new election or appointment shall be made; as in case of refusal to accept, or resignation of any office; and any person violating said oath shall, on conviction thereof, in a Court of Law, in addition to the penalties now or hereafter to be imposed by law, be thereafter incapable of holding any office of profit or trust in this State.

Archer vs. State, 74 Md., 443. Davidson vs. Brice, 91 Md., 684. Little vs. Schul, 118 Md. Clark vs. Harford County Agri. and B. Asso., 118 Md.

ARTICLE II.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.

SECTION 1. The executive power of the State will be vested in a Governor, whose term of office shall commence on the second Wednesday of January next ensuing his election, and continue for four years, and until his successor shall have qualified; but the Governor chosen at the first election under this Constitution shall not enter upon the discharge of the duties of the office until the expiration of the term for which the present incumbent was elected; unless the said office shall